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Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

**Whereas**, a period of six wondrous decades has passed since Jim Filla lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Ina Maschmann, during a solemn ceremony on October 16, 1948, at St. Francis Borgia Church in Washington, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Jim and Ina Filla have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Patti and Eric LaBoube, Gus and Teresa Filla, and Jeff and Laura Filla; and seven grandchildren; and

Whereas, Jim Filla has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes being a retired nineteen-year employee of Zero Manufacturing and a member of the Knights of Columbus, Sharpshooters, and St. Francis Borgia Parish; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Ina Filla further distinguished herself working for Cedarcrest Manor Nursing Home for twenty-one years prior to her retirement and being a member of St. Francis Borgia Parish and the Ladies Card Club; and

Whereas, during their sixty years together, Jim and Ina Filla have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Filla of Washington, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on October 16, 2008, with a private Mass at St. Francis Borgia Church, followed by a lunch at Hawthorne restaurant in Labadie:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jim and Ina Filla and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Filla.

Offered by	
Representative Brian Nieves	
District No. 98	
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representative Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Se do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 4551, adopted November 7, 2008.	ssion,
Rod Jetton, Speaker	